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1. SINCE PREPARATIONS ARE NOW ACTIVELY UNDERWAY FOR HURRIYA VISIT TO US, EGYPTIANS WOULD APPRECIATE INDICATION SOONEST WHETHER WE ARE AGREEABLE TO A PORT CALL TO WASHINGTON IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE INTERNATIONAL NAVAL REVIEW IN NEW YORK. WE DO NOT KNOW IF GORBAL HAS BEEN ADVISED OF GAMASY'S INTEREST IN SUCH A VISIT, BUT IT IS QUITE POSSIBLE THAT NO INSTRUCTIONS WILL BE SENT TO EGYPTIAN EMBASSY WASH TO INITIATE CLEARANCE REQUEST FOR PORT VISIT TO WASHINGTON UNTIL WE CONFIRM TO GAMASY ACCEPTABILITY OF SUCH VISIT.

2. WE HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO CONTACT DG OF ANTIQUITIES GAMAL MOUKHTAR RE PROPOSED GIFT, BUT ARE CONTINUING OUR EFFORTS TO ASCERTAIN WHAT IT IS. AS INDICATED REFTELS, WE NEED SOONEST INFORMATION ON WHERE, WHEN AND WHAT TYPE OF CEREMONY USG BELIEVES WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR PRESENTATION OF THIS PRESIDENT ANTIQUITY GIFT TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE.

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3. NAVAL ATTACHE WILL VISIT ALEXANDRIA ON MONDAY,
MAY 24, TO DISCUSS HURRIYA TRIP. WOULD BE HELPFUL
HAVE REPLY, IF AT ALL POSSIBLE, BY THAT TIME AS WELL AS
ANY ADDITIONAL DETAILS RE HURRIYA VISIT WHICH MIGHT
ASSIST EGYPTIAN PLANNING FOR THAT VISIT.
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